

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 has been amended as follows:

a1 The present invention relates to a method of describing the features of compressed or uncompressed audio data and a method of constructing the feature description collection of compressed or uncompressed audio video data. The audio feature description method is a method of ~~describe~~ describing an audio feature attached to audio data and enables high-speed, efficiently search and browse audio data at various levels from coarse levels to fine levels. Also, the audio video feature description collection construction method is a method of collecting the feature descriptions of multiple items of audio video data according to a specific feature type, and constructing multiple feature descriptions conforming to the specific feature type as a feature description collection, thereby making it possible to acquire a feature description collection based on the specific feature type from multiple audio video programs.

Paragraph beginning at page 1, line 23 has been amended as follows:

a2 The description of the features of audio data can represent the features of the entire audio data with a small quantity of ~~feature~~ features by describing or combining the spatial features or frequency features of ~~[[a]]~~ an audio file existing as a compressed or uncompressed file. The feature description can be employed as an element for ~~[[grasp]]~~ grasping the summary of audio data when searching the audio data. The feature description is effective when searching desired audio data from ~~[[as]]~~ an audio database and browsing the content of the desired audio data.

Paragraph beginning at page 2, line 19 has been amended as follows:

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In the MPEG-7, feature descriptions from various viewpoints are standardized. Among the feature descriptions, a summary description allowing high-speed, efficient browsing of audio video data is allowed to describe only information for a single audio video in the MPEG-7. ~~Due to~~ As a result of this, summary information according to various summary types on a single audio video program can be constructed and described. Summary types involve important events of the program, important audio clips, video clips and so on.

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Paragraph beginning at page 3, line 7 has been amended as follows:

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As for a summary description, for example, among conventional features descriptions of audio video data, summary information only for a single video audio program can be constructed and described as shown above. However, the construction and description of summary information for multiple audio video programs are not currently specified.

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